

Iowa Medicaid Enterprise-Medical Services

HABILITATION SERVICES Assessment Criteria

To be eligible for habilitation services, members shall meet the following criteria:

The individual meets *at least one* of the following risk factors:

- Has undergone or is currently undergoing psychiatric treatment more intensive than outpatient care, more than once in a lifetime (e.g., emergency services, alternative home care, partial hospitalization or inpatient hospitalization). Individuals currently undergoing inpatient hospitalization demonstrate this risk factor, but cannot receive 1915(i) HCBS State Plan Services while in an institution, including hospitals.
- Has a history of psychiatric illness resulting in at least one episode of continuous, professional supportive care other than hospitalization.

In addition, the person has a need for assistance typically demonstrated by meeting *at least two* of the following criteria on a continuing or intermittent basis for at least two years:

- Is unemployed, or employed in a sheltered setting, or have markedly limited skills and a poor work history.
- Requires financial assistance for out-of-hospital maintenance and may be unable to procure this assistance without help.
- Shows severe inability to establish or maintain a personal social support system.
- Requires help in basic living skills such as self-care, money management, housekeeping, cooking, or medication management.
- Exhibits inappropriate social behavior that results in demand for intervention.